

## **All Quiet on the Western Front – Vocabulary**

**inured** (verb) – to become accustomed to unacceptable circumstances so no longer bothered

***esprit de corps*** (noun) – a feeling of pride in belonging to and identifying with a group

**obliterate** (verb) – to destroy something so completely that nothing is left

**foreboding** (noun) – a feeling or sign that something bad is going to happen

**automaton** (noun) – one who resembles a machine by following instructions automatically, no emotion

**monotonous** (adj) – uninteresting or boring as a result of being repetitive and unvaried

**incessant** (adj) – continuing without pause or interruption; non-stop

**transitory** (adj) – short-lived; temporary

**unscathed** (adj) – not hurt, damaged, or harmed in any way

**laborious** (adj) – requiring a great deal of effort

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**forlorn** (adj) – lonely and miserable, as though deserted and abandoned

**pensive** (adj) – thinking deeply about something in a sad or serious way

**futile** (adj) – hopeless; without effect

**mitigate** (verb) – to make an offense more excusable; to make something less harsh, severe, or violent

**penance** (noun) – self-punishment performed to show sorrow at committing a sin

**banal** (adj) – commonplace; dull; ordinary

**rout** (noun) – a swift and disorderly retreat by a defeated army; any severe and humiliating defeat

**armistice** (noun) – a truce in a war to discuss terms for peace

**insurgent** (noun) – a person who rebels against authority or is involved in uprising against the gov't

**didactic** (adj) – intending to teach; having moral instruction as a motive